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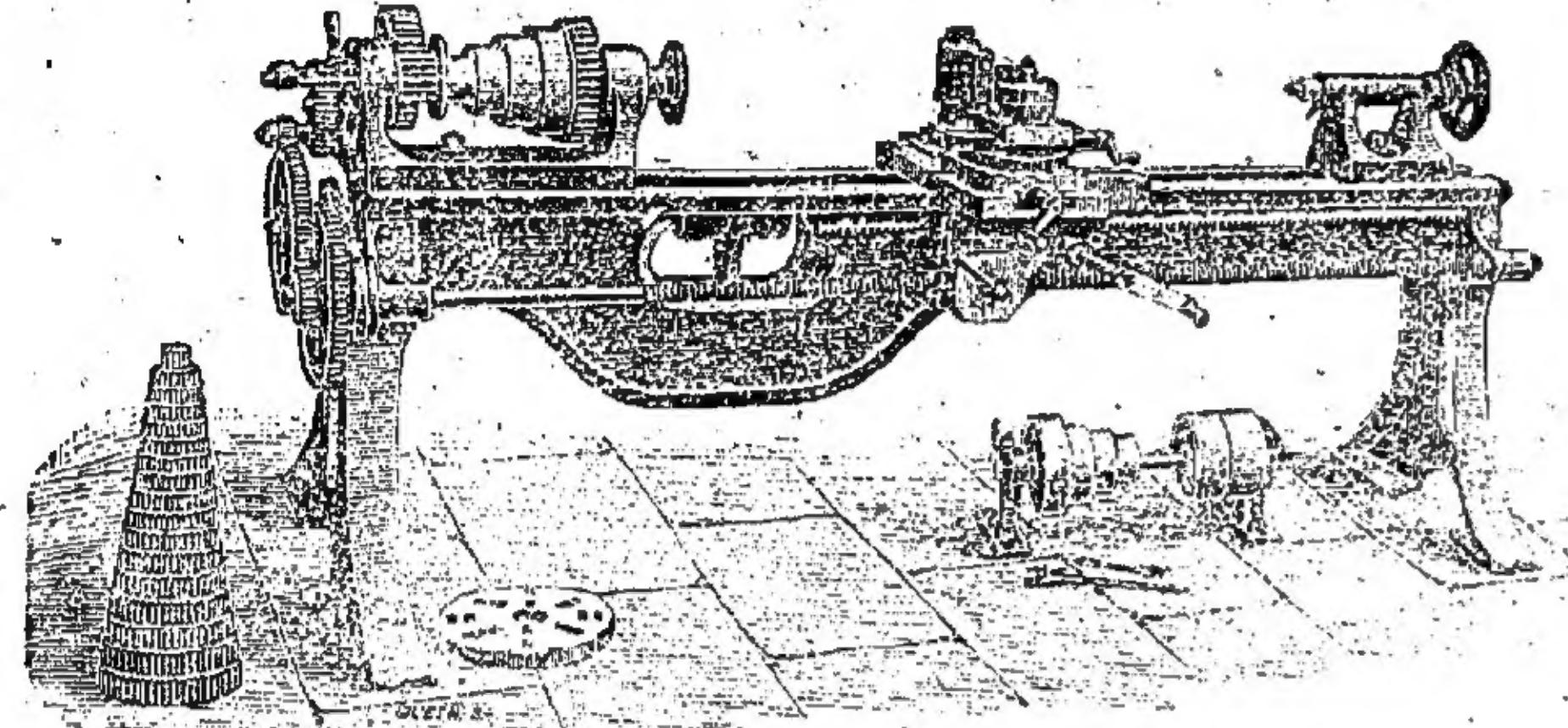
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PEKING, February 7.

The political situation here is unchanged.

The Conference of the Foreign Ministers and the Chinese Commissioners, held on Tuesday, the 6th inst., for the purpose of naming the guilty officials who are to suffer punishment made no progress.

THE LATE QUEEN VICTORIA.

On Saturday, the 2nd inst., a memorial ceremony was held in Peking in connection with the obsequies of the late Queen Victoria. All nationalities were represented.

BOXING CONTEST.

A big boxing show came off in the Theatre Royal last night, when there was a large attendance, including a number of military and naval officers. The main combat was between Cap. Shaochan, of H.M. Naval Yard, and Mike Collins, of San Francisco. This contest was a twenty-round match for the heavy weight championship of the Colony, and had been promoted by Messrs J. H. Down and M. O. Flint. The men were in the pink of training and it seemed very evenly matched. Cap. Sinclair had trained Collins and Sam James had looked after Shaochan, and both had excelled in their work. The fight was of a very clever and cautious description. The referee (Downs) had reluctantly to cause both

Death

was instantaneous.

GENERAL FREY'S LOOT.

It appears from French contemporaries that the loot sent home by General Frey to France was not intended for his exclusive use. The President of the Republic, the Ministers for War and the Navy, some of the other Ministers, and the museums in the Louvre and at Marseilles were to have participated. The restitution of the 'prizes of war' was ordered by the French Government; but, as our French contemporaries say, will the Chinese understand this act of generosity? We know not.

R. W. F. BAND.

The R. W. F. Band will play the following selections at Murray Barracks at 8 p.m. to-night:—

March, "Belle of Chien," "Sousa's Overture," "Crown Diamonds," "Amber Solution," "The Chieftain," "Sally in Her Valentine," "Pearl of the East," "A. G. Ward Descriptive," "Hussar-witt," "Spindler Selection," "The Messenger Boy," "Carlyle Extras."

Piccole Soli, "Sprites D'uce," "Waite Valentine," "Sourire de Avril," "Dorset Chaut," "Cantique do Noil," "Adam J. H. Moir, Band Master.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

The Band of the Royal Welch Fusiliers will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow (Saturday) evening, from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

March, "Belle of New York," "Kerker Value," "His Excellency," "Carr Descriptive," "Russurient," "Spindler Selection," "The Messenger Boy," "Carlyle Piccole Soli," "Sprites D'uce," "Waite Valentine," "Sourire de Avril," "Dorset Chaut," "Cantique do Noil," "Adam J. H. Moir, Band Master.

Arrington, also a Derby waler, did a quarter in 32, the half in 1.5, the three-quarters in 1.34, and the mile in 2.24. The subscription griffin Glory galloped an evenly run six furlongs in 1.29, the first two in 29 sec., and the half-mile in 58, finishing all out. Kitem, Sir Horace MacMahon's Derby waler, and one of the fancied one's old light waler, Mr John Peal's China pony Baluchi galloped two furlongs in 32, four furlongs in 1.54 and six furlongs in 1.38. Sunshine, another China pony, ran six furlongs in 32. The chestnut Derby waler Belvoir galloped two furlongs in 32 and half a mile in 1.7, running unkindly. Ingent was third, taking 34 sec. to the quarter, and 1.18 to the half-mile. The brown Derby waler Belgrave ran 30 sec. in 2.6, the last-quarter taking 30 sec. The sub waler Loyd, one of the favorites for the Derby, ran at three-quarter pace over six furlongs in 1.36, the half-mile taking 1.3.

The following is a complete list of the China ponies engaged in the forthcoming Raco Meeting (weight for inches):—

1—Captain Bland's ch., Marquise, 10. 6
2—Mr L. J. R. de France, 10. 12
3—Do., New Ross, 11. 1
4—Do., Blooming Ross, 11. 1
(late Landry)
5—Mr David's g., Strategist, 11. 7
6—Do., St. Andrew, 11. 1
7—Do., Tarantula, 11. 1
8—Mr Derrick's g., T. D. Ross, 11. 1
9—Do., Sandstorm, 11. 1
10—Do., Thunderstorm, 11. 1
11—Do., The Doctor, 11. 1
12—Major C. M. Dobell's g., Lute, 11. 1
13—Mr Dryasdust's g., Sibah, 10. 9
14—Do., T. B. Bits, 10. 9
15—Captain Finch's d., Diana, 12. 2
16—Mr Hart Buck's g., Esperance, 10. 6
17—Mr Hernan's sp., Balmor, 10. 12
18—Mr Kingston's ch., Polka, (late Poldy), 11. 1
19—Mr J. H. Lewis' ch., Bollie, 10. 12
20—Mr Marshall's ch., Ante, 11. 4
21—Do., Ace of Hearts, 11. 1
22—Mr Marshall's ch., Hope, 11. 1
23—Mr Nantucket's ch., Sunshine, 10. 12
24—Mr John Peal's g., Baluchi, 11. 1
25—Do., Beechnut, 11. 1
26—Do., Kingfisher, 11. 1
27—Do., Set, 11. 7
28—McG. H. Potts', ch., Desert King, 10. 12
29—Do., br., Forest King, 11. 4
30—Do., blk., Moritius, 11. 4
31—Do., br., Interrogation, 11. 4
32—Captain H. M. Richards' g., Eleowise, 11. 1
33—Captain H. M. Richards' ch., 11. 1
34—Mr John Peal's g., Sunbeam, 10. 9
35—Mr Rounseville's g., Thistle, 10. 12
MAFOO.

The following is a pretty story of the Princess Gourko.

Count Joseph Vassilieff Grusko, one of the most distinguished examples of the Russian nobility, is of Lithuanian origin. He was born in 1828, and educated in the imperial "Corps de Pages." He was created a colonel in 1852, and in 1857 he was appointed commander of the 4th Hussar regiment of Marinopol. In 1867 the Emperor named him major-general, and ordered him to be of his suite. Then he commanded the Grenadier regiments of the Imperial Guards, and in 1870 the 1st brigade of the 2nd division of the Cavallerie de la Garde. When he had a son, Count Gourko, who was, although in inferior rank, the son of the Emperor, he was attached to the 4th Hussar regiment. In 1877 he received his colonel's commission. In 1886 Gourko was appointed commander of the 4th Hussar regiment of Marinopol. In 1887 the Emperor named him major-general, and ordered him to be of his suite. Then he commanded the Grenadier regiments of the 1st brigade of the 2nd division of the Cavallerie de la Garde. 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TELEGRAMS.

RETELE'S SERVICE.

LONDON, February 6.
DEPARTURE OF THE GERMAN EMPEROR FROM ENGLAND.

The Emperor met with a splendid reception from immense crowds who drew with the King to Charing Cross Station.

The Emperor William sailed this morning, escorted by British cruisers to Flushing. The Emperor has conferred the order of the Black Eagle on Lord Roberts.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.
The Tsar received the Japanese Minister presenting his credentials.

GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY.
The King has appointed Prince Henry of Prussia *in chief* of the Navy.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.
The *Pyrenees* (Pyramids) has been ordered to the Cape from Malta.

The mortality from disease is again very heavy among the troops in South Africa.

Considerable precautions are being taken on the coast of Namaland to prevent the landing of filibusters.

NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

The following is the report of the Directors for presentation to the tenth ordinary annual general meeting of shareholders to be held at the Offices of the Bank, Victoria Buildings, on Saturday, 9th March:—

To the Shareholders, The National Bank of China, Limited.

Gentlemen.—The Directors have now the pleasure to submit to you the accounts and balance sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1900. The gross profits, including \$9,584.01, brought forward from last year, are \$223,495.54, which, after deducting all charges, allowing for bad and doubtful debts and wiping out Stationary Account, leaves a net profit of \$117,882.05.

This the Directors propose to deal with as follows:—To pay a dividend of \$1.50 per share (in London 3/4) absorbing \$60,070.50, to place \$48,000, ample allowance for any likely depreciation on our Securities, and to carry forward \$89,000.55.

Mr. Chou Ting Shang arrives in rotation from the Head Office, and the Right Honorable G. S. Sturt Worthing, Q.C., LL.P., from the London Committee, being eligible for re-election offer themselves accordingly.

The Accounts at the Head Office have been audited by Messrs J. H. Cox and W. Hutton Fots, and in London by Messrs Beloff, Dyer, Griffith & Co., Chartered Accountants.—Your obedient servant,

CHAN KIT SHAN,
Chairman,
Hongkong, 8th February, 1901.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CHINESE ENVOY TO GREAT BRITAIN.

CANTON, February 7.

It was announced yesterday that the Literary Chancellor of this province has received the appointment of special envoy of the Emperor of China to the Court of St. James's to express condolences on the death of Queen Victoria, and also to congratulate her successor on his accession to the throne.

He Chancellor leaves Canton on Saturday next in the Chinese gunboat *Fuk-Poo*. He passes straight to Hawkow, and thence to Kien-Fu to receive the Imperial authorization.

DEMOCRATIC FOR WOMEN.—MEMBERS. One of your contemporaries said the other day that the German Consul was demanding \$200,000 as indemnity for the two men he represents. That sum has been mentioned, but I believe by the men themselves rather than the Consul. Of course, the larger the sum the Vicerey has to pay, the greater the security for foreigner whether in country or town.

WORLD Y. W. C. ASSOCIATION.

Miss Reynolds, the travelling secretary of the World's Young Women's Christian Association, has just paid a visit to Canton. Meetings were held on the Shantung for foreigners and at the Canton Hospital for Chinese women.

PATRIOT.

There have been quite a number of robberies in Fatschan lately. One of these robberies was in a house next door to a police station.

Last Saturday morning, as one of the officers of the street guard was making his rounds, he suddenly came on a band of robbers. He was well known to the thieving fraternity, and the robbers took the chance of having their revenge by shooting this man down.

EXECUTION.

By way of relieving the congested prisons and also striking terror into the hearts of rascals, the Nam-Ho and Pan-U magistrates yesterday had fourteen men put to death at the execution ground. They were all notorious robbers.

A Deserved Promotion.

A Peking dispatch to the family of the formerly exiled Tschai Shén Tun-ho (who is still living in Shanghai) informs them that owing to the important assistance given by Shén Taotai to the Manchu General at Kalgan when that country was invaded by the Aliens last autumn, thereby preventing hostilities between the belligerents, the said Manchu General, Kwei Shun, has reported the matter to the Throne and has obtained pardon for Shén Taotai with restoration to his former rank, etc. In addition to this act of gratitude of General Kwei Shun to Shén Taotai, the former has also appointed the latter Commandant of the forces on the Kalgan borders, with charge also over a Mongol Cavalry regiment of 900 men.—*Y.-C. Daily News.*

THE SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS' HOME.

Enthusiastic Opening Proceedings.

The opening of the new Sailors' and Soldiers' Home in Arsenal Street took place yesterday afternoon, and was followed by a concert in the evening. Both functions were attended with a success highly gratifying to the promoters, and auguring well for the future prosperity of the institution.

The handsome new building consists of four large apartments for the use of the men of both services. On the ground floor there is situated the dining room, where from sixty to seventy people can be seated upon at a time. This room also contains a half-moon bar for the sale of temperance refreshments, and a capital billiard table, on which a remarkably cheap game of billiards can be played. The room, like all the other rooms, is well lighted from two sides, and is fitted up with incandescent lights. The walls are well furnished with pictures. The reading room, on the right side of the main entrance has a very comfortable appearance. Its furnishings consist of a reading table, with an excellent supply of home and local newspapers and magazines, and a bookshelf with a goodly supply of healthy literature. A fireplace in this room with its pictures, its carpet and its brightly-burning fire presents a very cosy appearance this cold weather. At the back there is a large and well-furnished cook-house, the capabilities of which are amply evidenced by the fact that under the energetic superintendence of Mrs Goggan and Private Smith of the R. W. F., who have been appointed to look after the Home, over 300 meals were supplied from it yesterday. There is also abundant laundry accommodation, round on two sides by a splendid veranda, giving a fine view of the harbour. The promoters have had a great deal of trouble to fit the place, but they were pestered last night, and it is satisfactory indeed to note that every one was occupied and more could have been occupied, had they been to hand. On the other side of the landing there is a meeting room with a platform. On the walls there is a fine collection of steel engravings and other pictures. Besides the piano from the old Home, two new instruments, an American organ and a piano have been obtained from London, and gave general pleasure when they were in use last night. It is intended to hold Sunday meetings and a meeting once a week in this particular room, which will accommodate over 100 persons. Behind this room there are bright and clean dormitories and laundry. Premises are also provided for the cook, and it would seem as if a stone had been left unturned in the effort to make the Home and its appurtenances complete even to the smallest detail.

The building was beautifully decorated for the opening ceremony, which took place in the large dormitory. The flags of all nations were hung on the walls of every room, and flowers and plants were liberally used in the scheme of decoration, which proved very effective. The platform erected in the dormitory was particularly pretty, and the portrait our late Queen and her family, behind the Chairman, was draped with mourning out-of-respect to her memory.

The afternoon proceedings were attended by the Chief Staff Officer, Colonel The O'Gorman, and Mrs O'Gorman, Commodore and Mrs and Miss Powell, Colonel and Mrs Eustis, a large gathering of officers and ladies, and of non-commissioned officers, petty officers and men of the Army and Navy.

After the singing of Hymn 99, Rev. C. Bone, the Wesleyan Chaplain, offered prayer. He then gave an interesting address. He referred to the Old Wesleyan Home in Queen's Road, and spoke of how it prospered for many years. When the Naval Yard extension took place the Admiralty bought up the premises of the Home and it was removed to Duddell Street, and afterwards to G. Block's Queen's Road. It did, however, in its original premises and removal, however, conceive the idea of Rev. William Musson, his predecessor, that the idea of creating a new Sailors' and Soldiers' Home. His Excellency Sir Wm. Robinson, and the Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, both expressed their sympathy with the proposal. As the result of the idea initiated by Mr Musson, the Admiralty, on their hands and congenitally new Home now stood was purchased. Plans were prepared, and the building had been erected at a cost of \$200,000. He (Mr Bone) when he took over Mr Musson's duties took over the responsible task of raising subscriptions, and he had satisfaction in informing them that the money had all been raised with the exception of about \$1500, which it was hoped would soon be cleared off. The Wesleyan Army and Navy Committee of London had granted £1000, of which £100 was lent without interest, £200 had been granted by the W.O. Office, £200 by the Admiralty, £6000 £3 had been collected in Hongkong and elsewhere, and \$1397, which had been collected in Hongkong and Canton on behalf of the Twentieth Century Wesleyan Methodist Fund, had been voted by the Fund Committee towards the cost of the Home. (Applause). No great difficulty was anticipated in raising the balance required. Continuing, he said the principles which guided them were those of total abstinence (Applause). He was not there that day to give them a tea-total lecture, he would only say that they would be serving the interests of the Church best by having a tea-total Home. In Hongkong there were places where men could get good beer, and if reports were true, had beer, and it was not safe to add another place to those beer-shops already existing. The Home, therefore, had as its primary object the interests of the tea-total men in both branches of His Majesty's Forces. (Applause). There were a large and increasing number of tea-totalers in both services, but besides them, there were men who took a glass of beer but preferred a quiet place like the Home to the Canteen. Therefore the promoters of the Home thought they were fully justified in maintaining the stand they did in maintaining the principles they believed in (Applause). It had been discussed in the Press as to whether the Home was purely denominational or not. Strictly speaking the Home was under the Army and Navy Committee of the Wesleyan Methodist Conference. (Applause). The speaker did his best to get a strictly denominational Home set up, and deferred taking any steps for six months in the hope that he would gain his point. The Home, however, seemed water-logged before it floated. However, although the Home was under these auspices, it would be worked in a line strictly denominational. No man's religion would be interfered with; in fact the objects of the Home were primarily social, intellectual and moral, but religion would not be absent. He believed it was

possible to make home of the men, better men to Christ and a better vision of God, and for the future they would go back to their own Churches, better men, better churchmen and better Englishmen (Applause).

Mrs F. H. May then, in a few well-chosen words, declared the Home open and wished it God Speed.

Mrs Bone at this stage presented Mrs May with a souvenir of the occasion in the form of a small silver card-tray bearing a suitable inscription.

Colonel Bertie, in proposing a vote of thanks to Mrs May, said that he disagreed with Mr Bone's principles to some extent. He wished that less could be said in the Institution. He then urged the members to remember that they professed to be tea-totalers they should remain tea-totalers in earnest and not appear to be so if they were not.

Mr. J. W. Ansley, Civil Engineer of the Naval Yard, then expressed the thanks of the meeting to the Chaplain and to those who laboured so earnestly and persistently in this good work, and in doing so made it abundantly clear that he was a methodist, and that he was a tea-totaler, and that methodism and teetotalism worked to maintain the King, the Government, and everything that was best and truest in the lives of the men of His Majesty's services.

The ceremony which passed off with great enthusiasm concluded with the singing of a verse of each of the following: "Jesus I love of my soul," "Rock of Ages," "Home Sweet Home," "God Save the King," and the offering of a prayer by Rev. G. J. Williams.

There was a great crush at the tea meeting which took place in the evening. There were over 300 present, and with an abundant supply of good cheer, the company was in high spirits. Mr. J. Pitt, R.N., Inspector of Machinery, presided.

The programme was open to all from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. and was contributed by such well-known and capable artists as Mrs Mudie, Mrs Hagen and Mrs Boult. Sergeant-Major Bodler's orchestra was also present. Mr. Kessick was exceedingly funny in his songs. Hon. F. H. May gave an Irish story which took very well, and the performances of Mrs Brown, as accompanist, and her choir of soldiers, were highly appreciated.

The speakers all referred in sympathetic terms to the objects of the Home and expressed the best wishes for its success. Rev. W. Banister took as his subject the hymns, etc., mentioned in the afternoon programme, and gave a highly interesting

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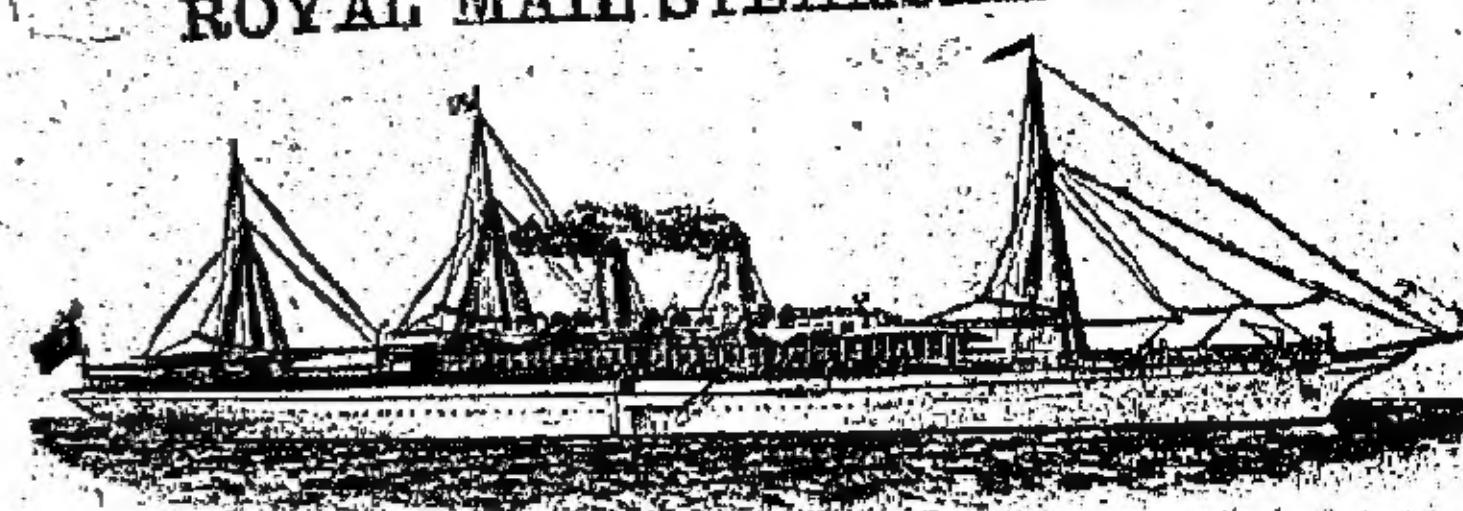
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